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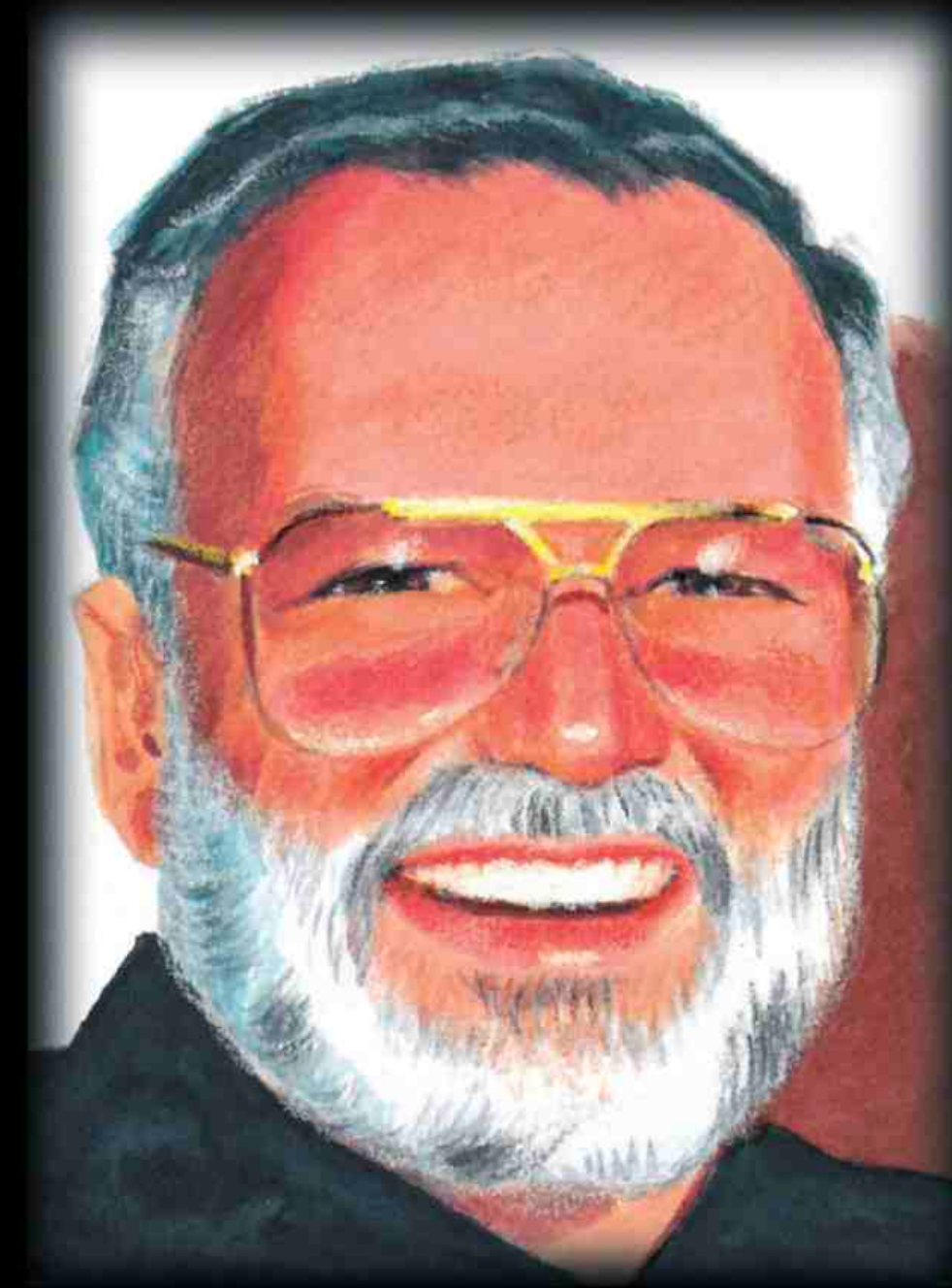
THE NEW MUTANT





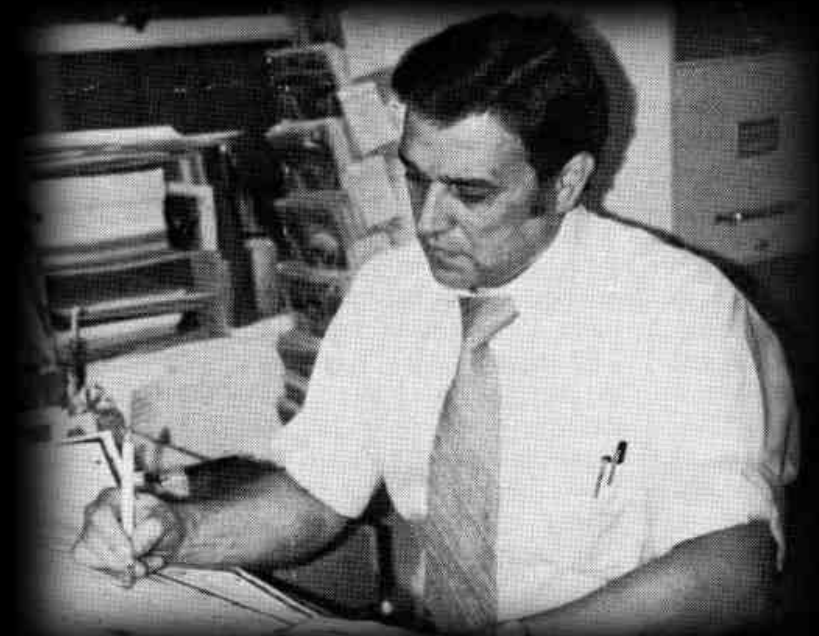
John Romita

1930 – 2023



Marvel mourns the passing of comic-book artist John Romita Sr., whose work on *Amazing Spider-Man* helped make the character a worldwide sensation. In his work as Marvel's art director, he designed the Punisher and Wolverine and served as mentor for countless artists during his decades-long tenure with the company.

Romita had a profound effect on everyone he met at Marvel. He was always kind and warm and served as an inspiration to all who knew him or followed his work. Romita helped build the Marvel Universe as we know it, and he will be greatly missed.



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WATCH THE CROWD TURN

Kamala Khan, A.K.A. Ms. Marvel, has gone through a lot recently: dying, being resurrected and finding out she’s a mutant in addition to being an Inhuman! What does that mean? Well, no one knows for sure...but she’s going to have to figure it out. Something that’s easier said than done, especially in the aftermath of the Orchis attack at the Hellfire Gala, during which many mutants were forced through the nearest Krakoa gates and disappeared. Any remaining mutants on Earth are being hunted down by Orchis and facing the strongest anti-mutant sentiments seen in recent years. Oh, and on top of that, Kamala has to figure out her role within a whole new super-hero team -- easy enough, right?

Welcome to the X-Men, Kamala -- hope you survive the experience!

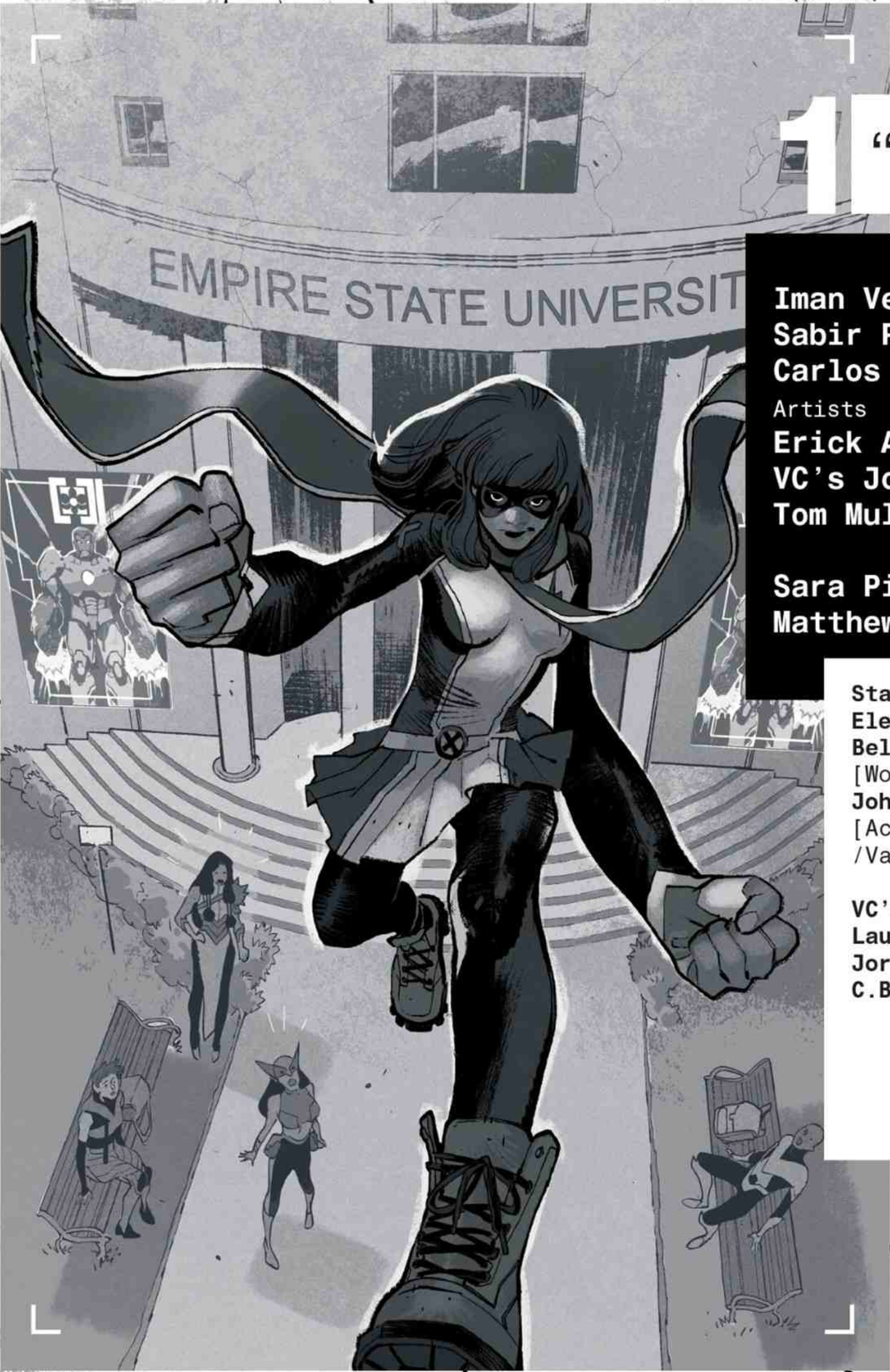
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"Gather
around,
folks!"

"It's time
for our main
event!"

The final
act for
tonight.

The
showstopper
you've been
dying to
see.

All the way
from the streets
of Jersey City, the
queen of kicking ass
and *taking names*. It's
none other than the
magnificent...

...**Ms.
MARVEL!**

Embiggen!

→Whf!←
→Whf!!!←

Do a
flip!

She's even
prettier in
real life!

I think
I might pass
out.

'Tis
her!



HOORAY! MS. MARVEL! WOO-HOOO!

Ah! They love you, my dear!



I don't even need my seventh sense to know that!

Ready to give them a show they'll never forget?

What?



Break a leg, superstar!

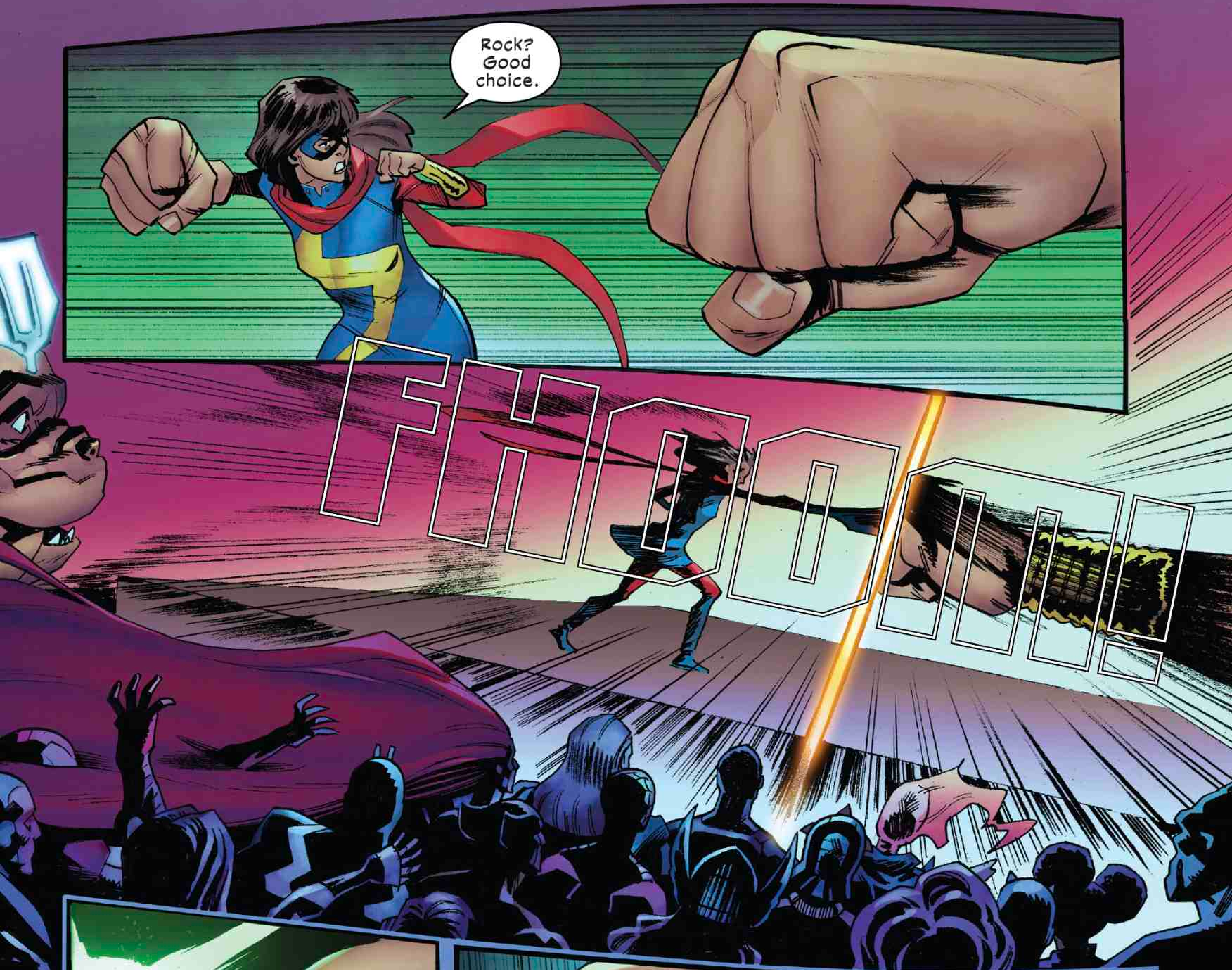
Wait! Come back! What do I do?!



GAAH!!!

SLAM!





Rock?
Good
choice.

FWOO



Uhh...best
two out of
three?



SWOOP!

WAHH!

Could I
maybe get a
hand?! Preferably
one attached
to a body?

Absolutely!

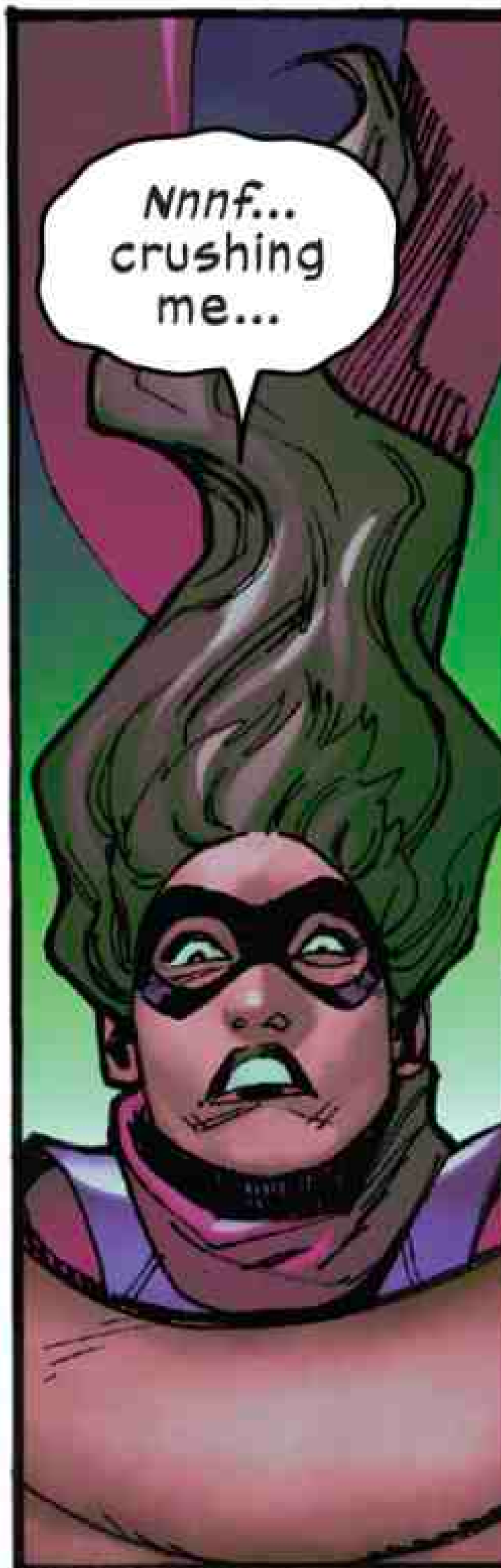


This is my
favorite part,
folks!

We've got
quite the roster
of heroes lined up
for you, Ms. Marvel!
All you have to do...
is choose.



Now,
where to begin?
Shall I interest
you in some
Champions?



Nnnf...
crushing
me...



Hmm,
I guess
not.

You've outgrown them,
anyway. Let's see...



Earth's
mightiest
heroes?



Hrrk!



No?
That's a
shame.

How about
your *first family*?
Sweet Medusa got a
blowout just for you.

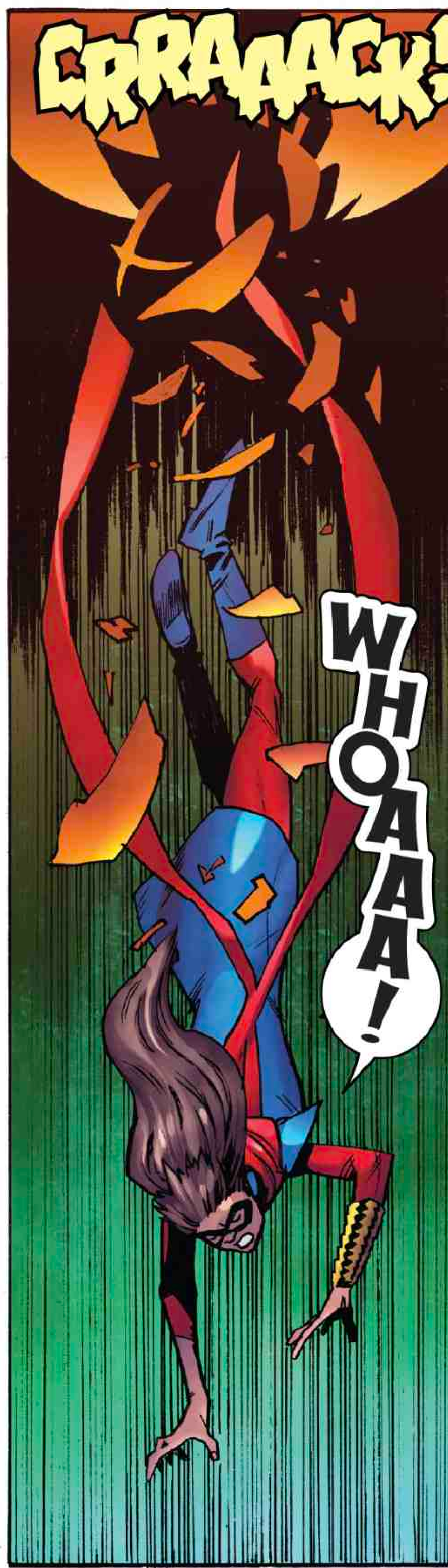


...Hrk...
e-en...





We'll all
take a piece
of you.





Hello.

?!

"Kamala!"

"KAMALA KHAN!!!"



Ah!

At what point does a dream stop being "just a dream"?

Kamala! You better be awake, Bruno is here!

Maybe when you've had it every night for ten weeks.



Coincidentally, it's also been ten weeks since I, Kamala Khan, became a *mutant*.

I guess technically I've *always* been a mutant.

The only difference is now I *know* I'm a mutant.

Hurry up, you don't want to get stuck in that New York traffic!

Coming, Ammi!



Being the only mutant with a life *aboveground*, I get perks others don't. For example, today, I start at one of the most prestigious summer programs in the Big Apple!

Only con: The university is sponsored by Orchis (A.K.A. the guys responsible for the so-called *mutant massacre*).

My mission? Spy on Orchis and try not to die...

...again.



Kamala! Meet Sunny-V!

Oh, hello there! New paint job?

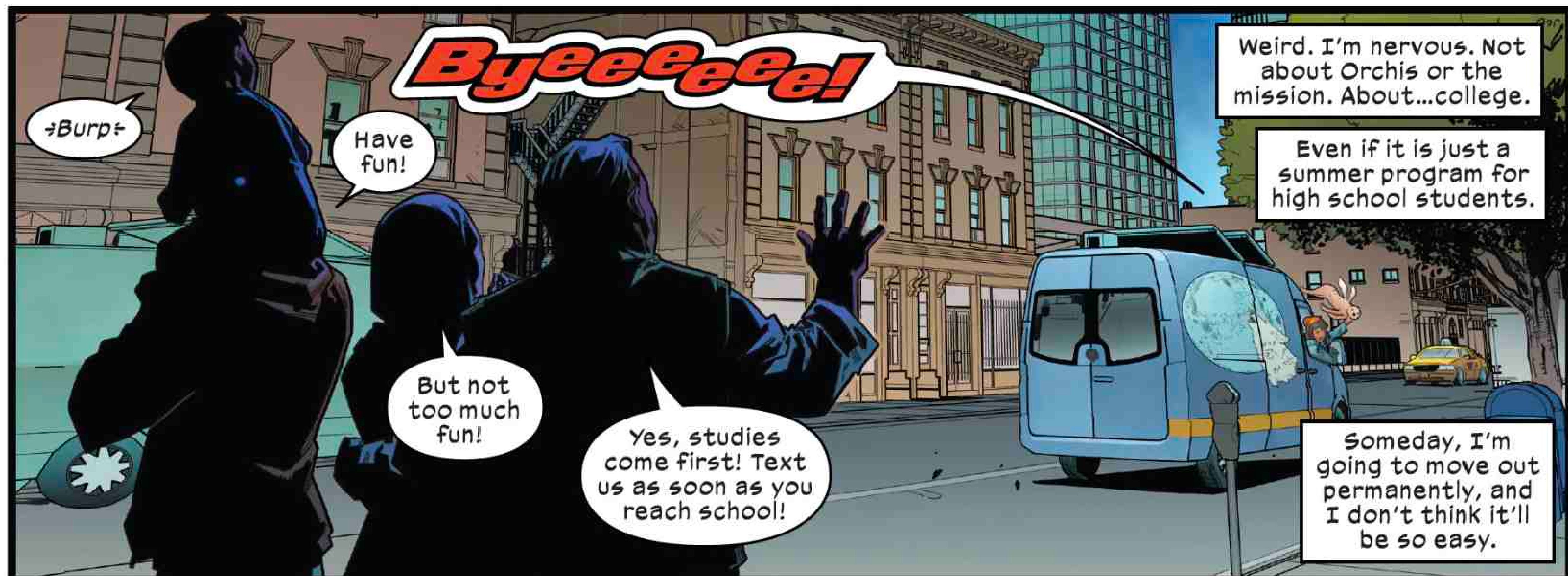
Well, now that she's officially mine, I had to Bruno-fy the whole thing. My uncle Angelo was known for many things. Upkeep was not one of them.

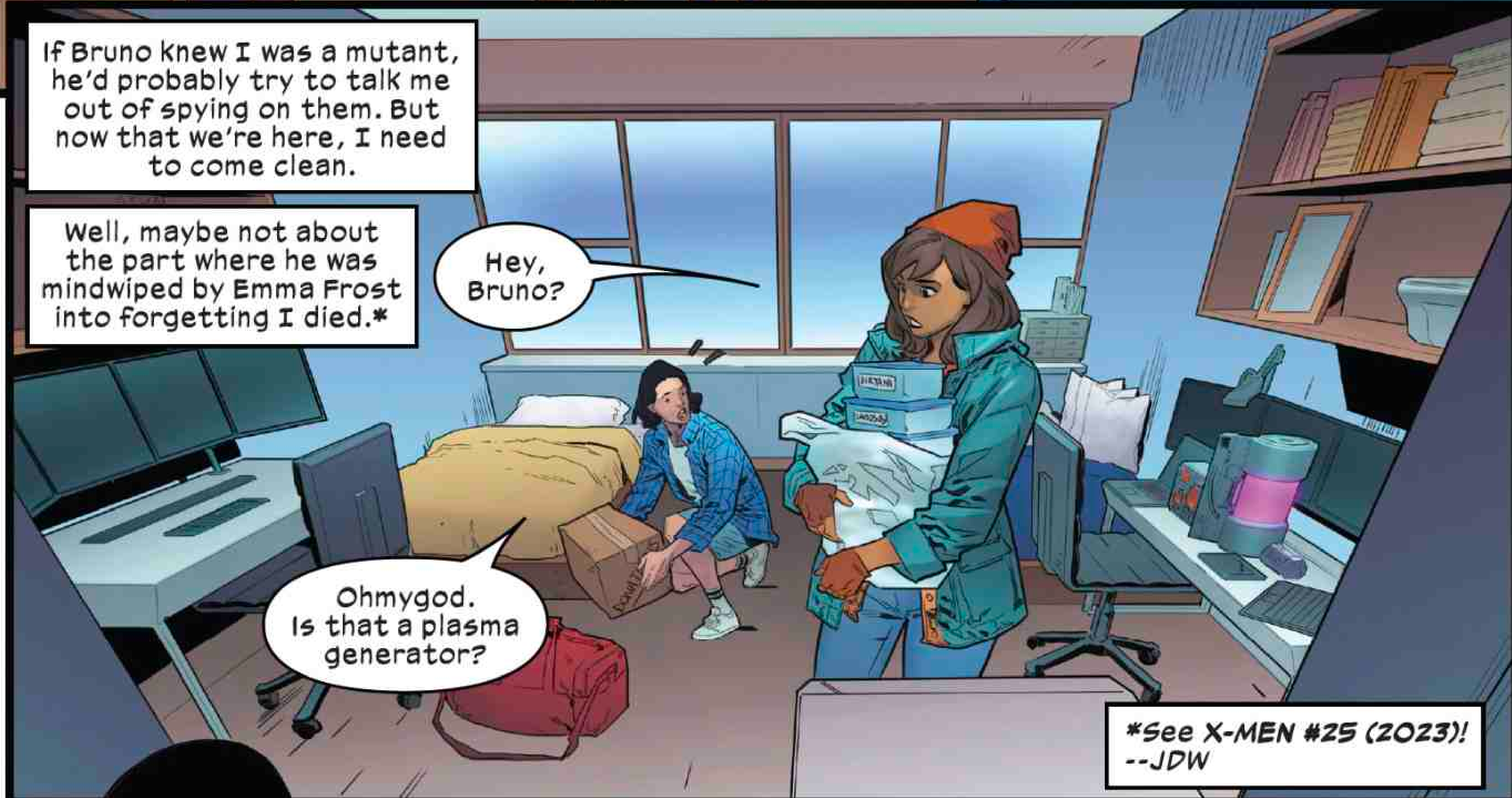
Consider the Brunofication a success! Thanks again for helping me move to New York.

Weeeeeeee!

Malik! That's not yours!

Ah, it's nothing, gotta put these bad boys to use, anyway.







I'll catch you after, and we can explore the campus!

Byeeee!

That wasn't a lie. I *do* have orientation. But I think I already got the TL;DR: Orchis = bad.



I should've told Bruno I'm a mutant when we were driving to New York. I don't know why I hesitated. Now I'll have to find a time when Michelle's out of earshot.



Emma Frost thinks I shouldn't tell anyone. She thinks people never react well when they learn someone close to them is a mutant.

But she doesn't know Bruno.



I tried explaining to Emma that everything mutants experience, I've already been through. I've been outlawed.* I've been hated.

*See OUTLAWED (2020) #1. --JDW



She disagreed--

"Darling, this is different. They hate mutants most of all, because they're afraid we'll replace them."

"When they perceive you as a threat to their survival..."



"...that's a *danger* unlike any other."

Oh, heeeey. Forgot you guys were down here. Sorry about the time I punched your cousin. It was Wolverine's idea.

It can smell your candy bar.

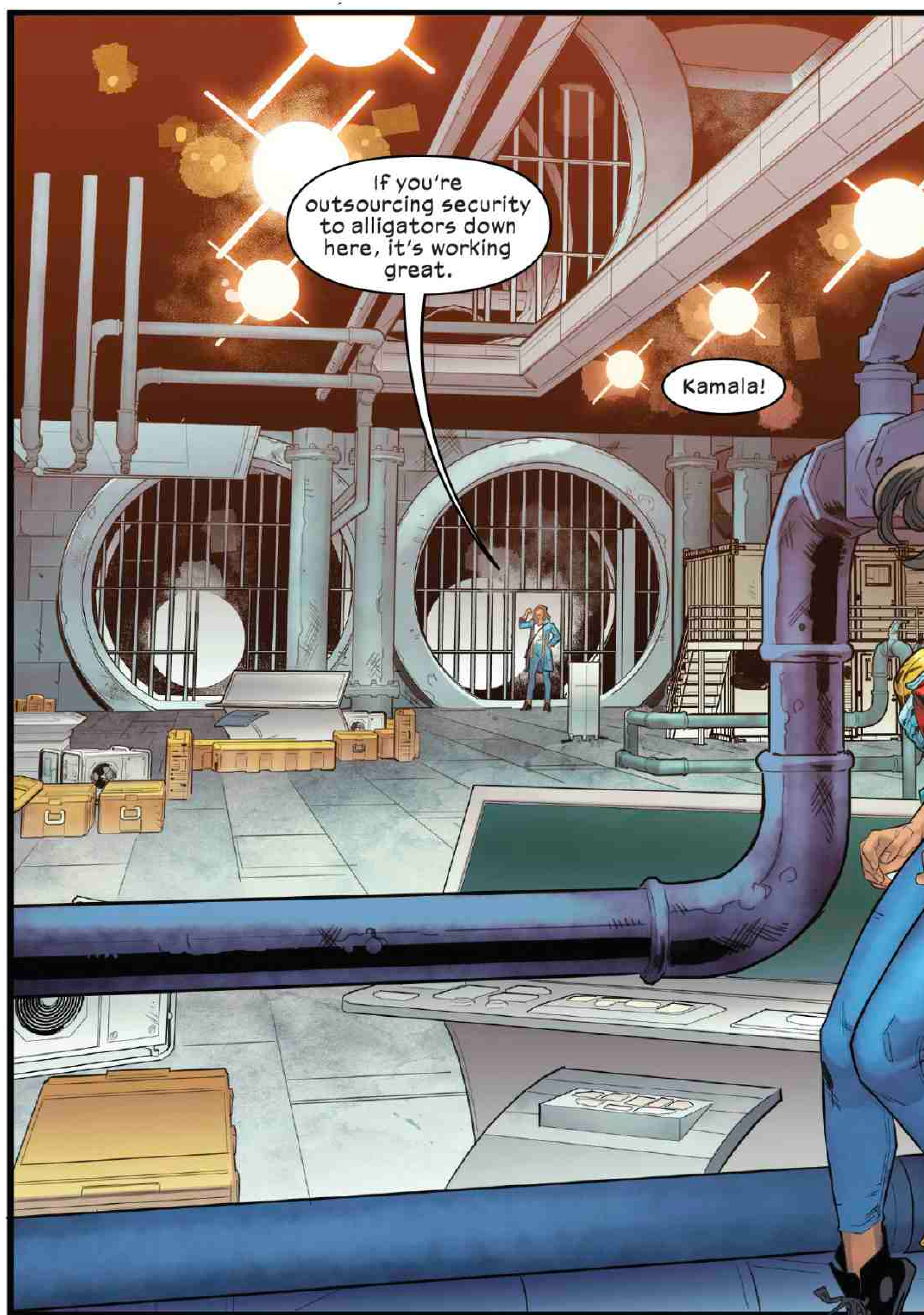
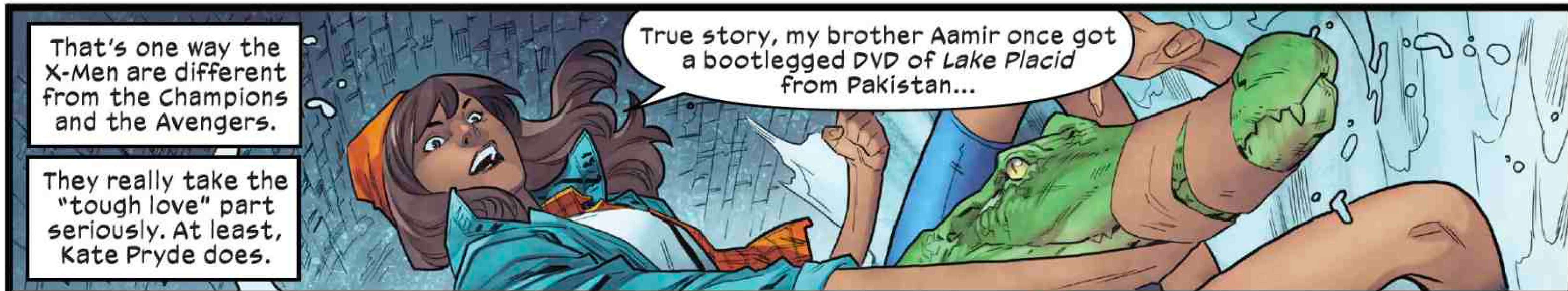
Shadowkat?!

When combined with your own scent, it's confusing the alligator.

How did you know about the candy bar?

Hey, where're you goin'? Kate? Little help here?

No? All right, guess it's just you and me, Gatey.





Rasputin IV is from an alternate future. To her, this time period's a living museum.

Brought this for you.

I've heard the legends.



Synch. Talon. How are we doing?

Better, now that you're here.

When we didn't hear from you, we got worried Orchis might have some means of detecting you on campus.

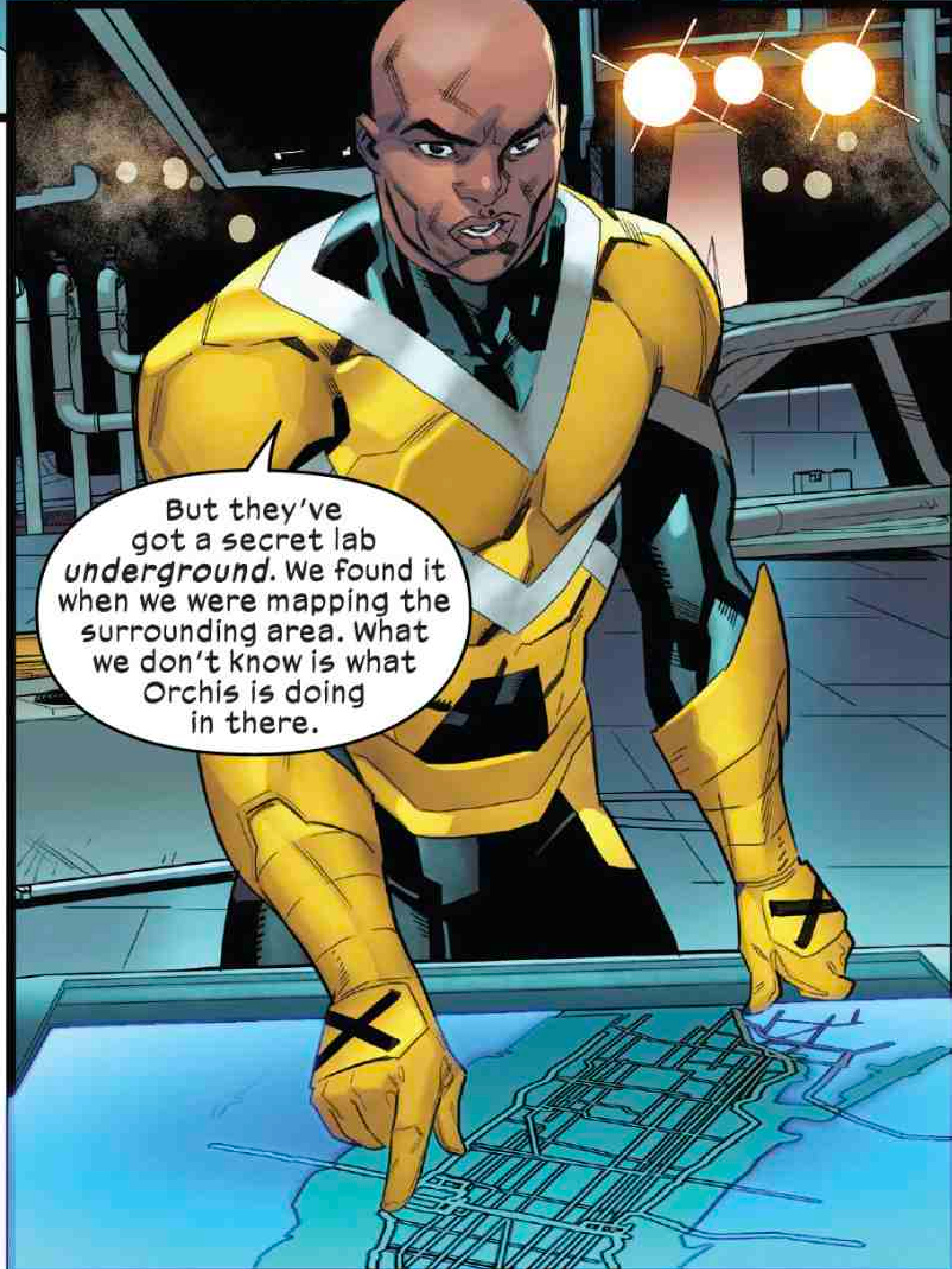


But since your mutation never manifested, it looks like you're undetectable to them.

Honestly, it looks like a pretty normal campus. Everyone's really nice.



That's exactly what they want you to think. Because it is normal... *aboveground*.



But they've got a secret lab *underground*. We found it when we were mapping the surrounding area. What we don't know is what Orchis is doing in there.



Right. And you want me to break into the lab and find out?

For a second there, I thought this was going to be easy. I'd report that no news is good news when it comes to Orchis.

And maybe, just maybe, I'd get to have a *normal* summer.



Infiltration is how they got to us. It's time we hit them back.

But I should have known, there is no normal. Or, at least, this is the new one.

Of course. Anything for the cause.



Before you head back, do you have any concerns we should be aware of?

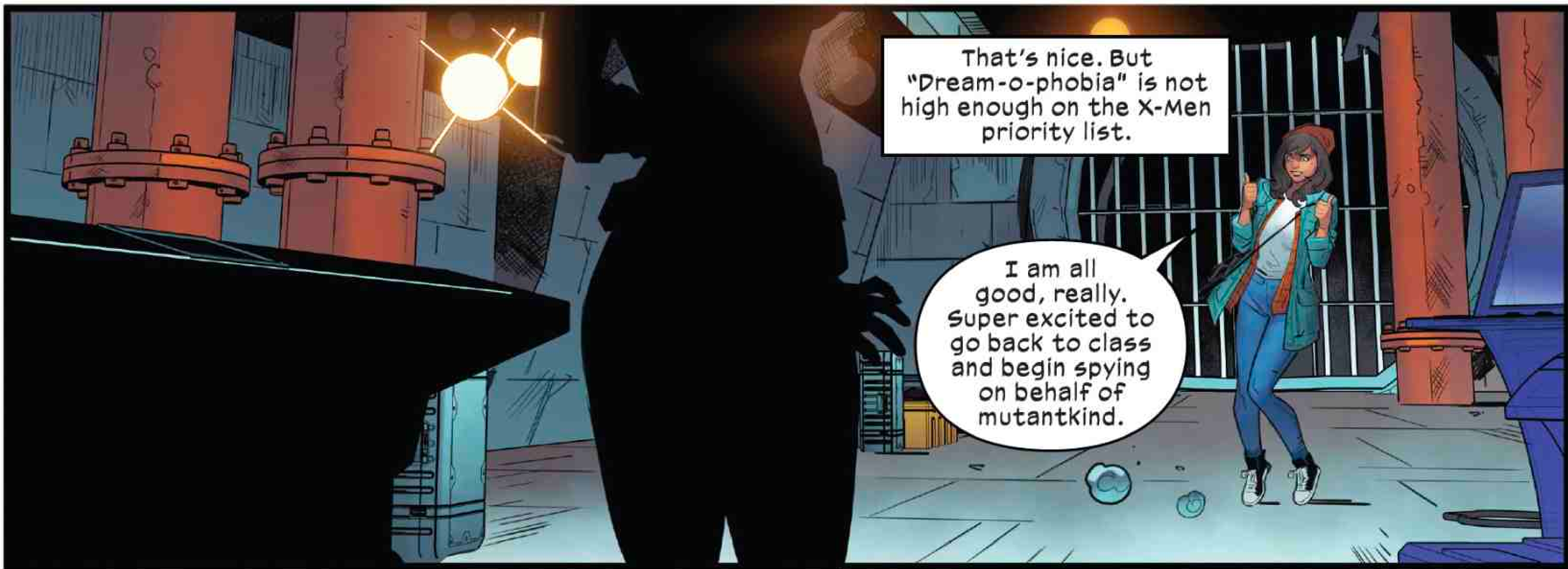


I've been having a recurring nightmare ever since you all resurrected me and told me I'm a mutant?

Uh, no. I'm all good. Just dealing with, like, scheduling stuff with my classes.



If there is something, you know you can tell us, right? We're here for you.



That's nice. But "Dream-o-phobia" is not high enough on the X-Men priority list.

I am all good, really. Super excited to go back to class and begin spying on behalf of mutantkind.



Infiltration. Breaking and entering. This is not how Abu and Ammi raised me. They'd say that deception of any kind is wrong.

But nothing is simple anymore. The X-Men are literally living underground because of Orchis.

It's days like this when I wish I got a good night's sleep.

+Yawn+

Geez, was orientation that boring?



Oh, no, it's just a lot of info.

C'mon, where's that "you KHAN do it" attitude?

Hey there! I'm Andre! Would you be interested in joining the Comics Plus Club?

That sounds awes--



No, thanks.

Aw man.



You just said no to a club you would have made yourself if it didn't exist.

Who are you?!

I literally have no idea...

Is everything all right in there?

Knock! Knock!



Umm...not really.

Bruno, I have to tell you something, but you gotta promise not to freak out.

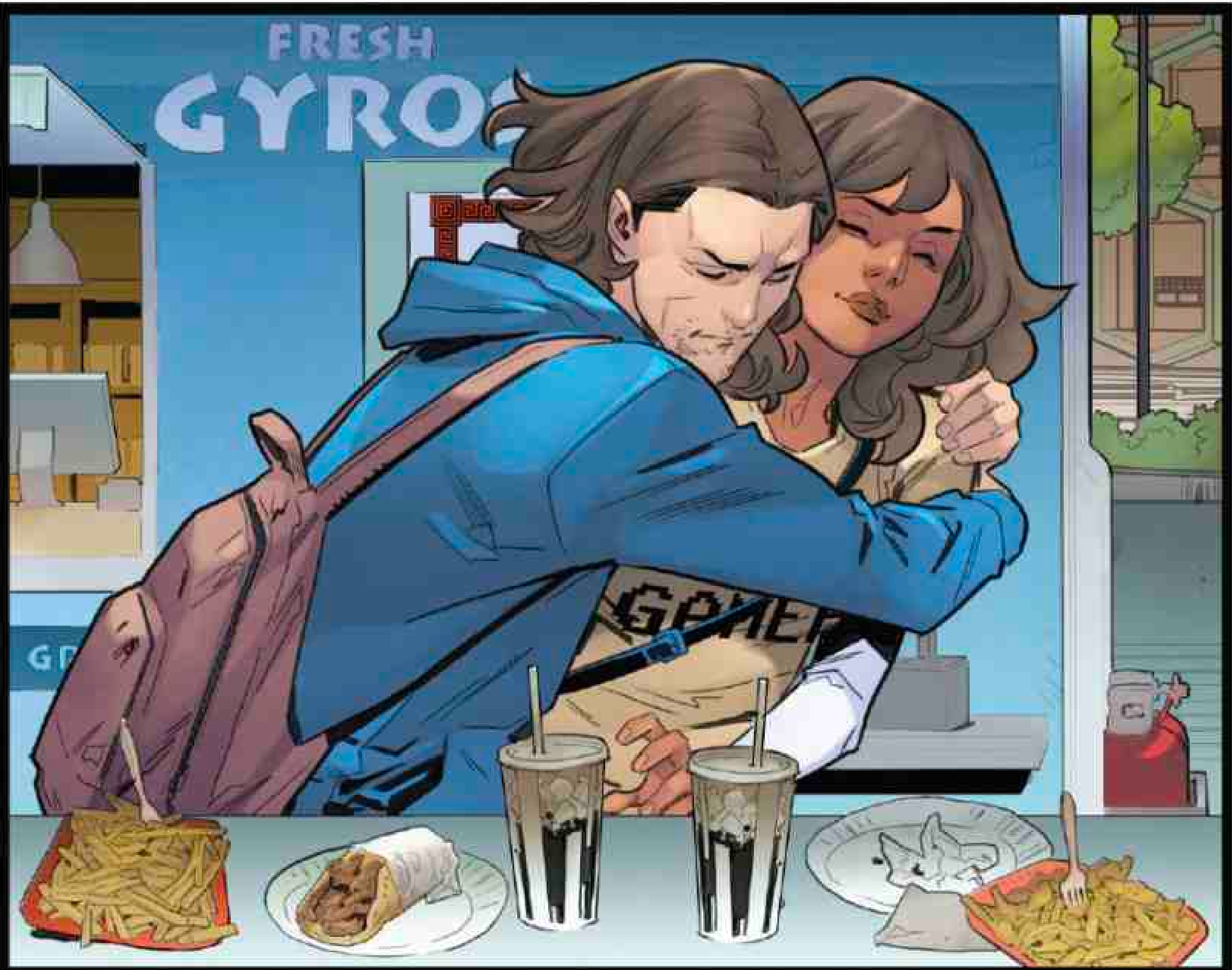
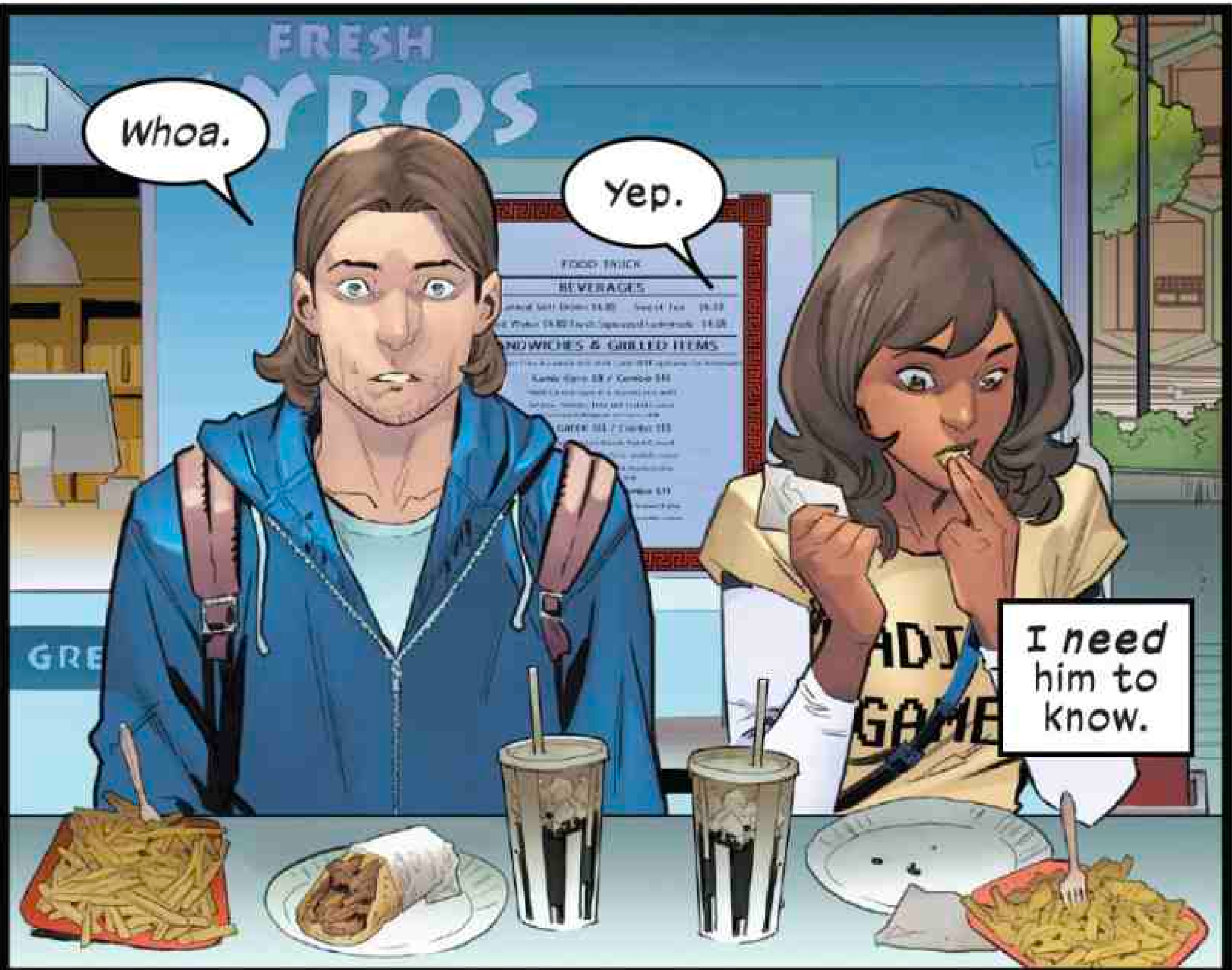
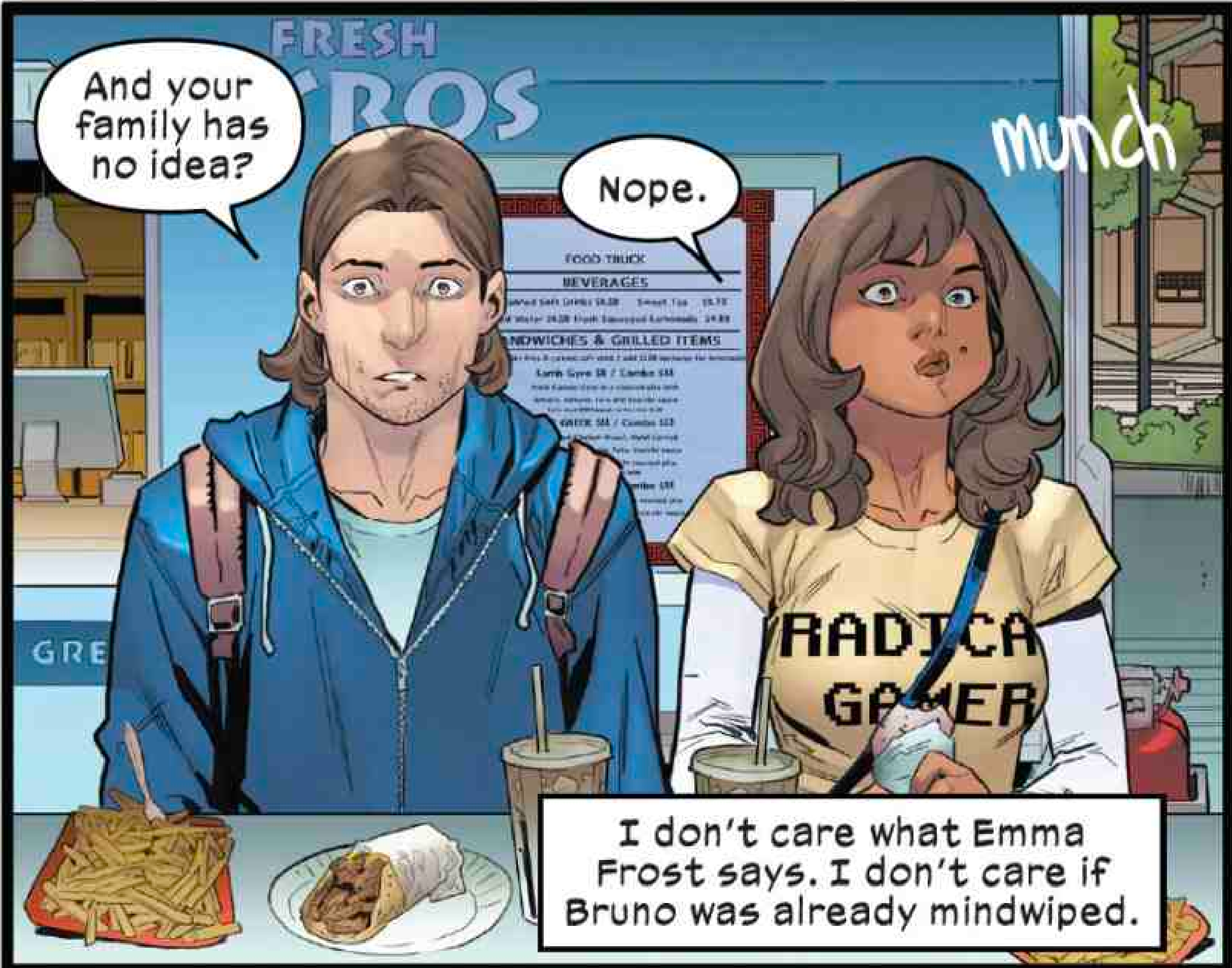
Okay...?



Sniff!



But first--







Then let's get to work.

WHOA!



Wait! Are you sure about that suit?

It's what I've got.

Okay, but it's not exactly the best time to be a mutant right now, especially at a very *anti*-mutant school!



Don't worry, I'll be super quick! In and out!

Um, o-okay. Be careful, Ka-- Ms. Marvel!

Bruno's right. This suit makes me a target for every mutant-hater out there.

But maybe I can be the example that proves there's nothing to hate.



Whoa, it's a Chitauri! The last time I fought one of these guys was back in Liberty State Park.

That was also the day I became an **Avenger**...*

I'm pretty sure buses are for students only! You got any I.D.?

Is that Ms. Marvel?

She's wearing an X-Men suit!

What's she doing in New York?

Where's Spider-Man?

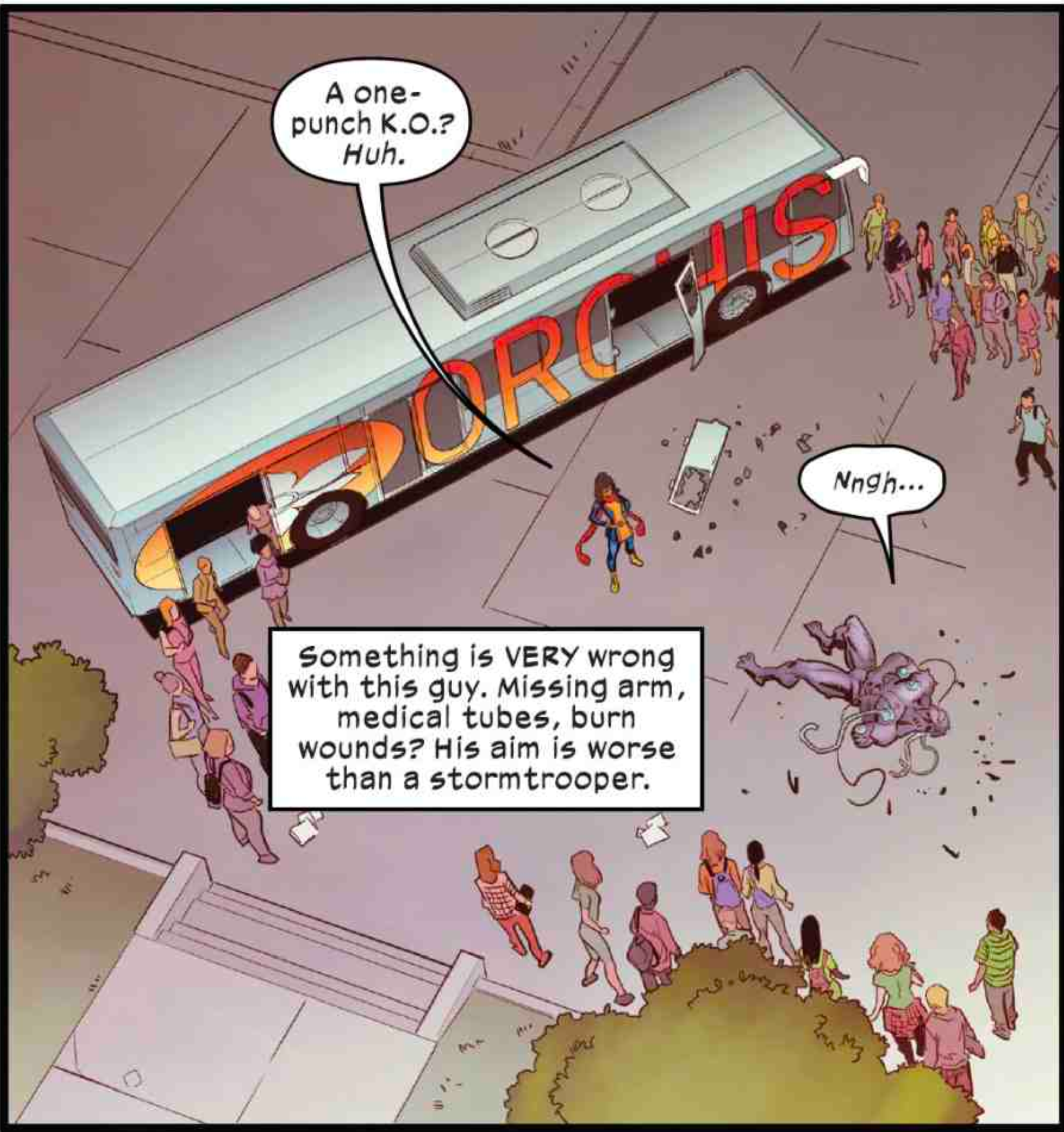
*See **ALL-NEW, ALL-DIFFERENT AVENGERS #2 (2016)**. --JDW



Look, dude, I don't mean to tell you how to fight, but it helps to point your toes in the direction of your punch.

Here, I'll show you!

You see? It's really all in the legs.



A one-punch K.O.? Huh.

Something is **VERY** wrong with this guy. Missing arm, medical tubes, burn wounds? His aim is worse than a stormtrooper.

Nngh...



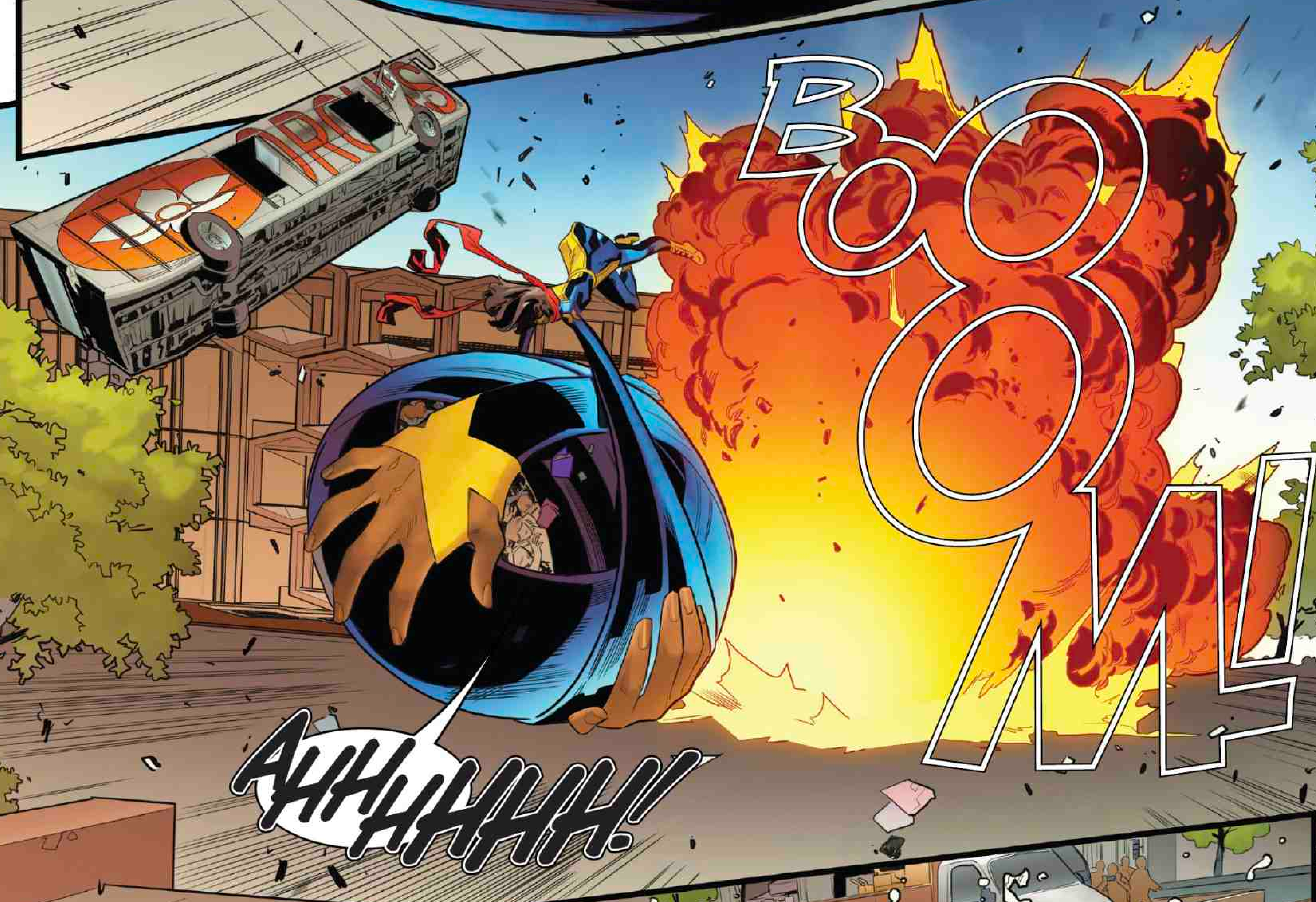
Your wounds, they're fresh... who did this to you?

Nnng... b-beneath usss...

Beneath us? Under the school? The Orchis lab!

Leave me to pass.







I can't believe there's a real-life mutant at our school!

Not even college is safe!

Do you think that's the *real* Ms. Marvel? I heard she died.

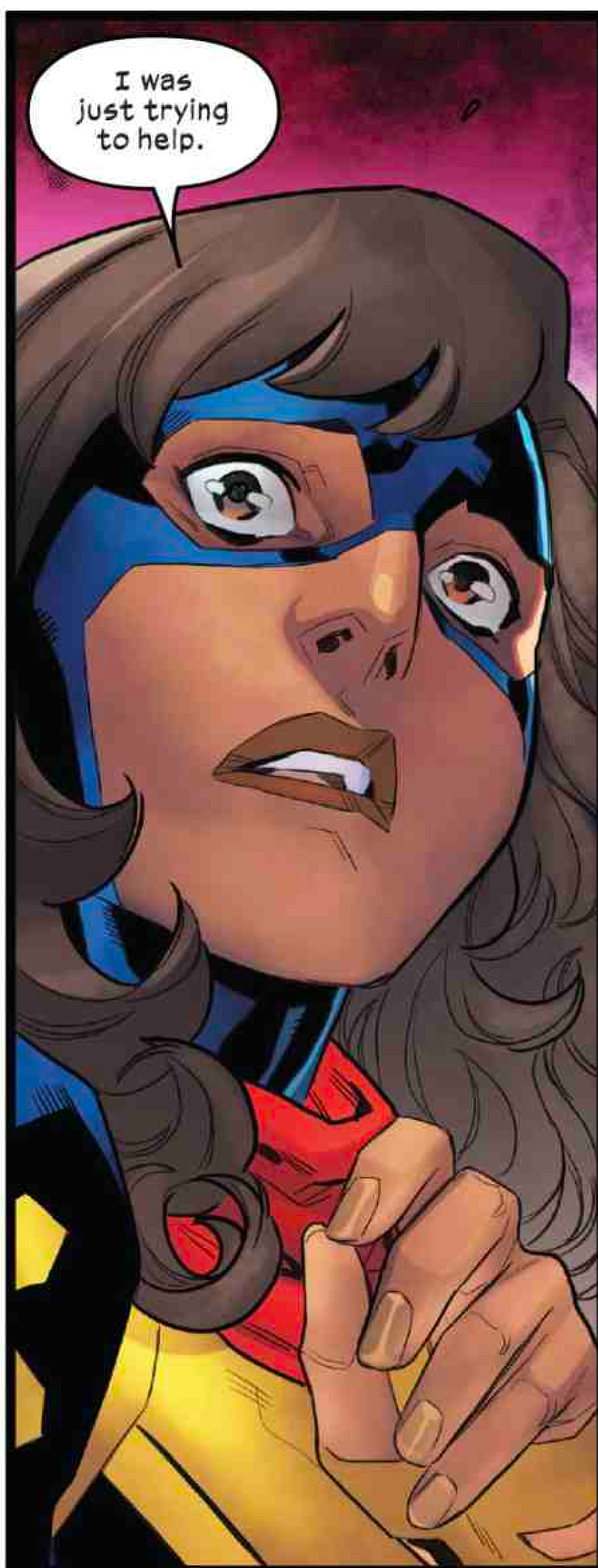
Hey, mom? Can you pick me up?

Where is the security on this campus?!

Could be a clone?

Or her evil mutant twin.

This is *not* how I thought that would go.



I was just trying to help.



They think *I'm* the enemy. Gotta get out of here. Now.

So I shrink. I shrink until I am as small as I feel.

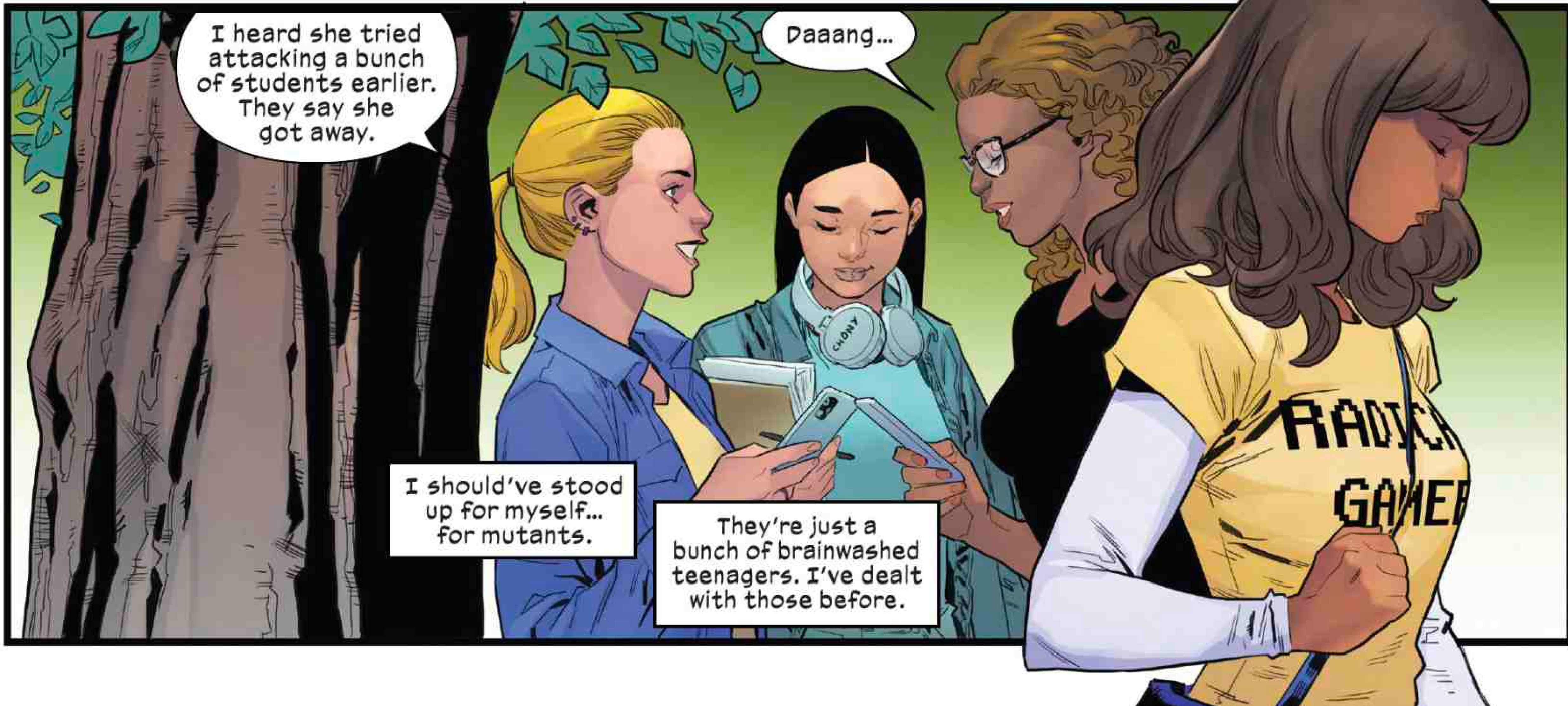


Did you hear there was a mutant on campus?

Apparently, it was Ms. Marvel!

Shut up! She's a mutant? That sucks!

I know, right?!



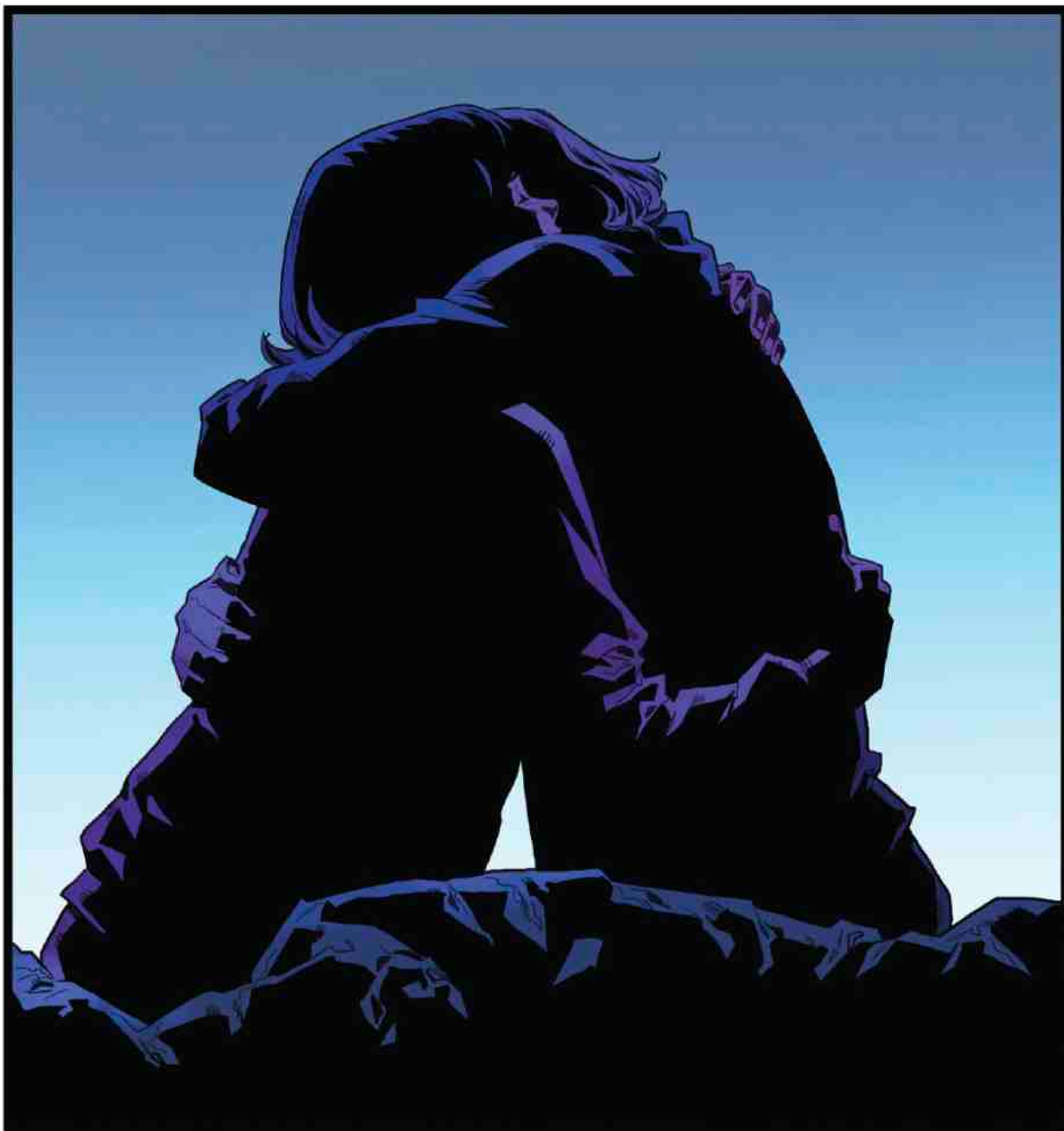
I heard she tried attacking a bunch of students earlier. They say she got away.

Daaang...

I should've stood up for myself... for mutants.

They're just a bunch of brainwashed teenagers. I've dealt with those before.





You don't owe them either.



I know you were excited about getting a little preview of the college life. I get it.

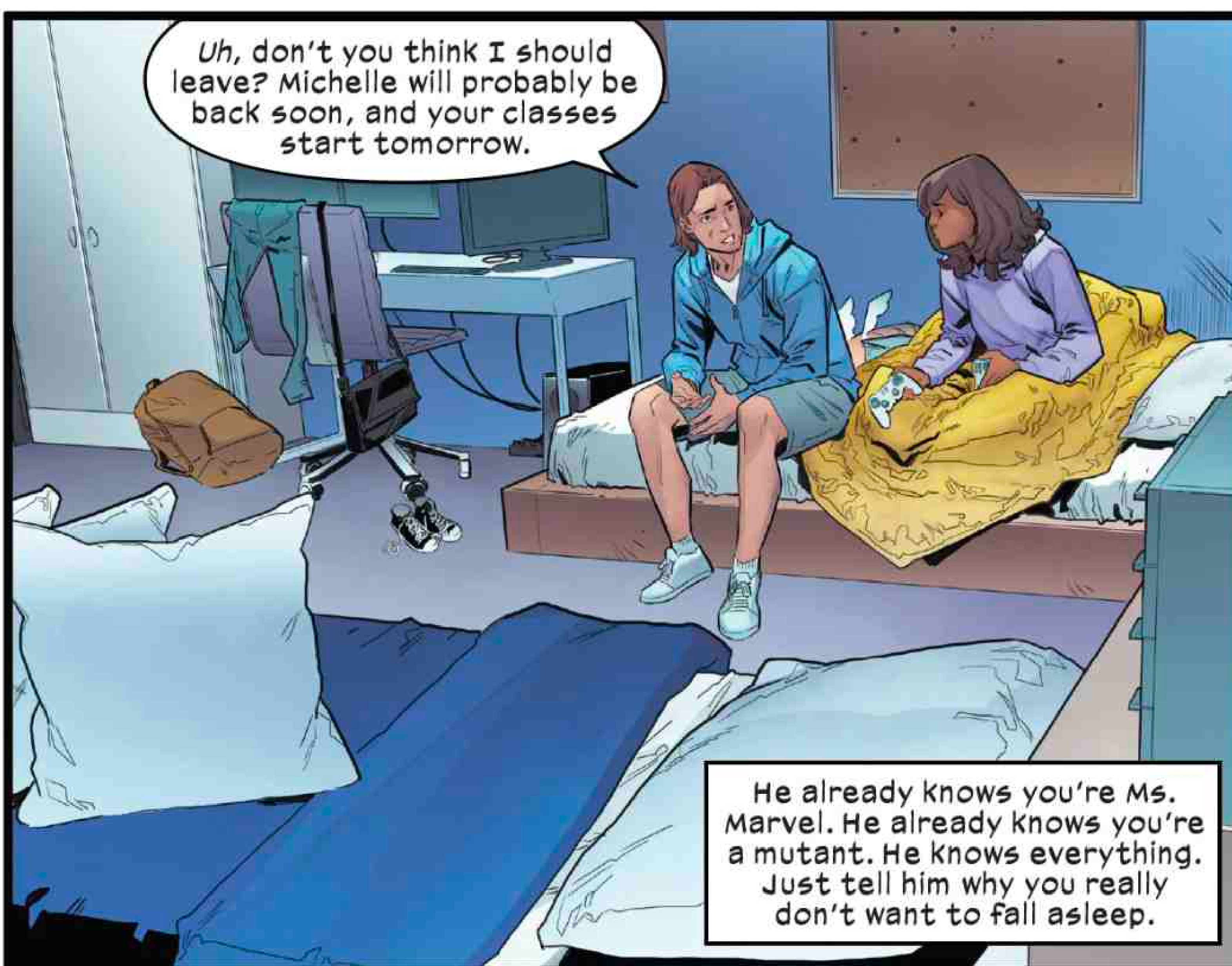
But if it's not working out, you can come back to Jersey. We'll have an awesome summer there. We always do.



If by "awesome summer" you mean staying up all night playing video games...



...we can do that right here!



Uh, don't you think I should leave? Michelle will probably be back soon, and your classes start tomorrow.

He already knows you're Ms. Marvel. He already knows you're a mutant. He knows everything. Just tell him why you really don't want to fall asleep.



Classes, shmashes. It's gonna be boring orientation stuff I barely need to be awake for, anyway.

Aaaand now I'm putting up walls with my best friend for no reason.



So we play. And we talk about everything else. And he thinks I'm rattled by anti-mutant bigotry, and that's why I'm clinging to him.

And I let him think that. Because it's true enough, even if it's only half the truth. The other half?

Being a mutant is scary.

Forget that your peers hate you and that there's an evil organization hunting you. Forget the life on the run in underground tunnels.



The scariest part is not knowing yourself. What you're capable of.



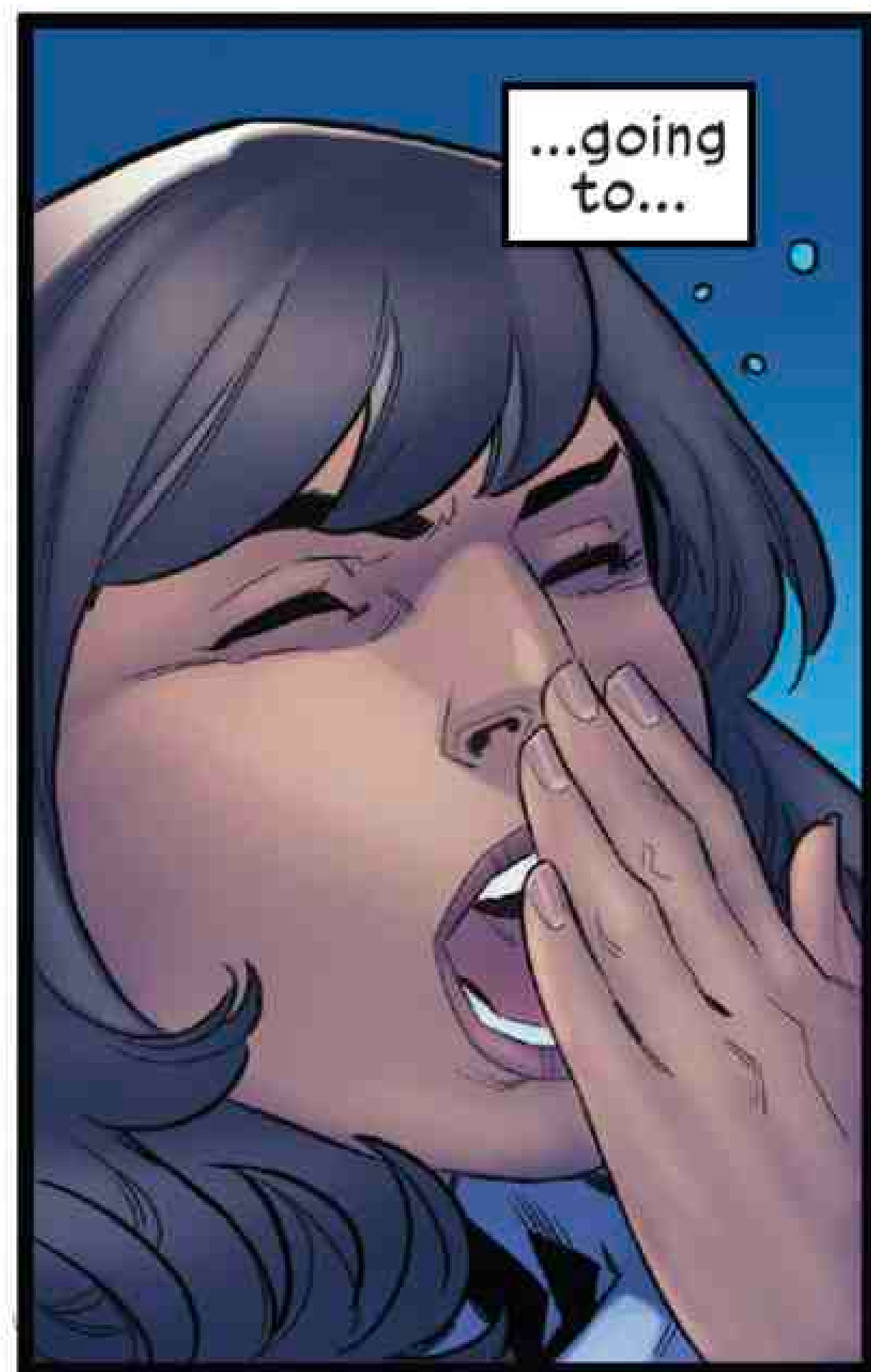
My subconscious is trying to tell me something. And I'm terrified of what it is.



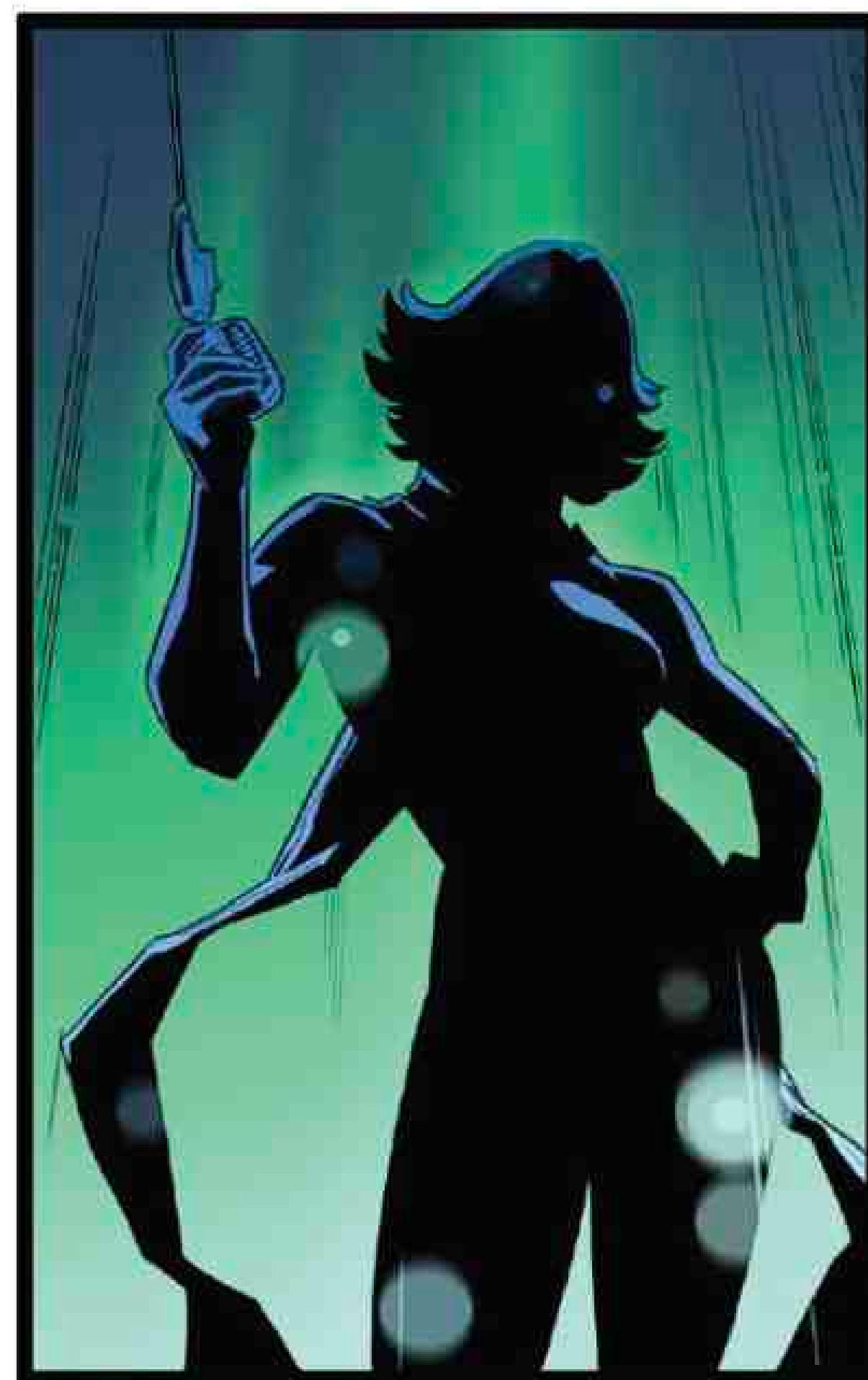
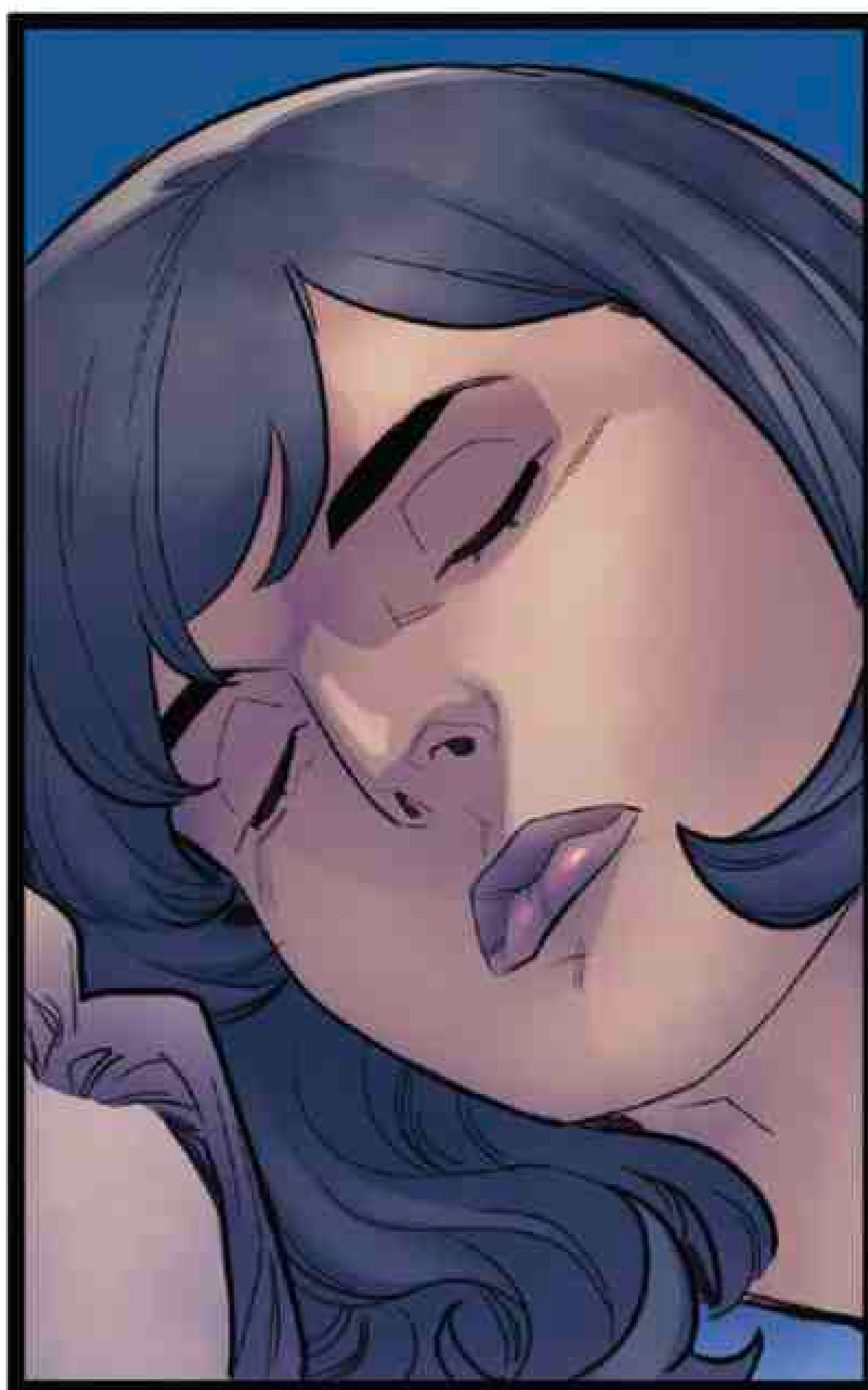
No matter what, I'm staying awake.



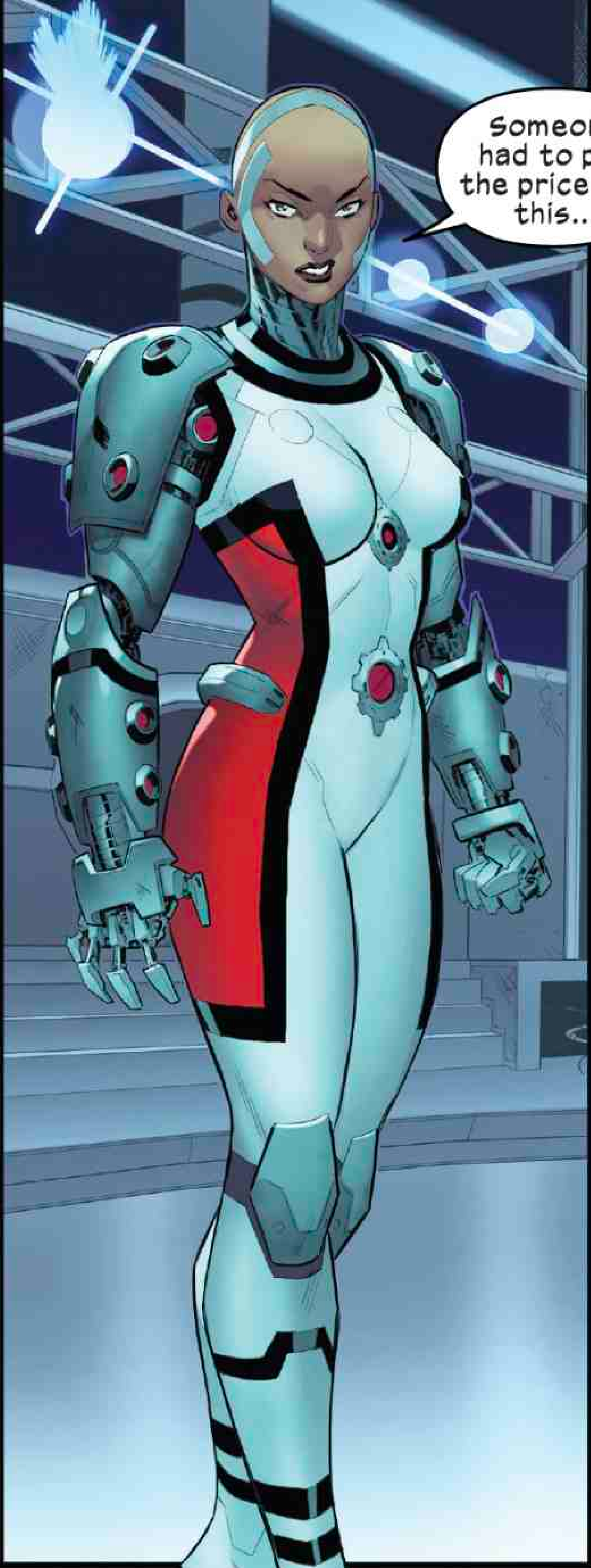
I'm not...



...going to...





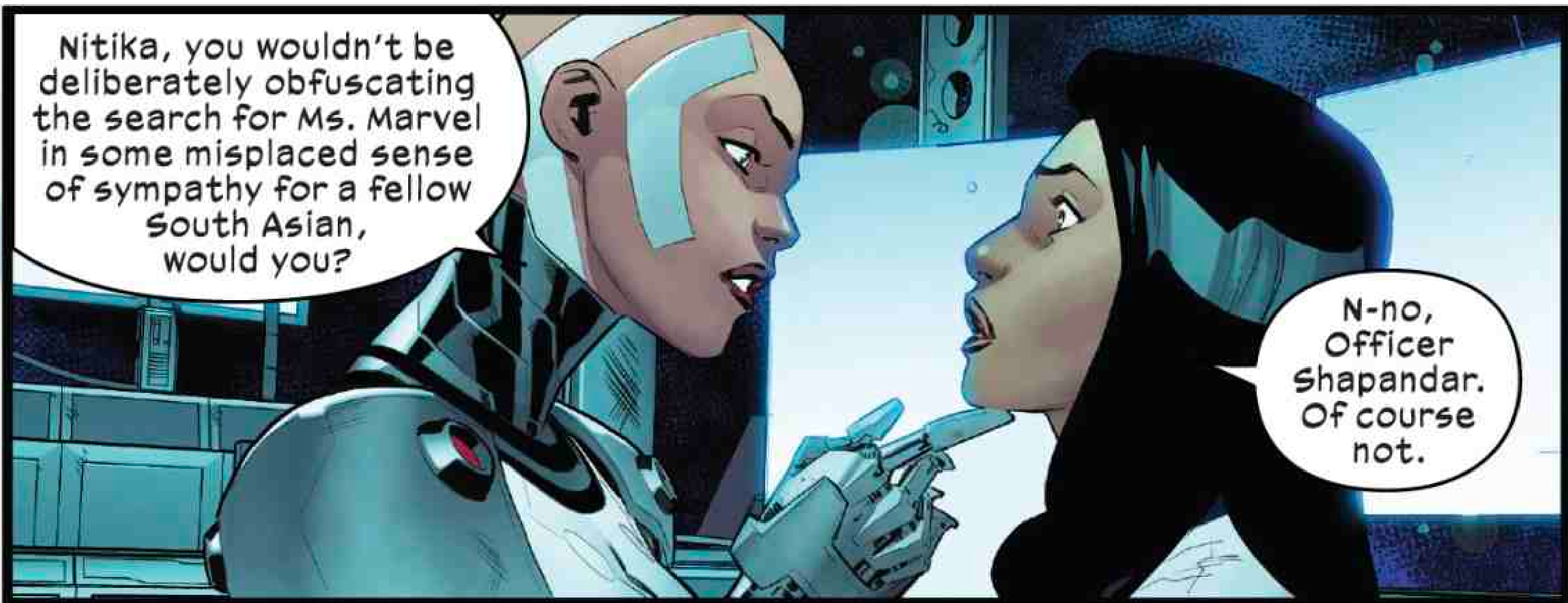


Someone had to pay the price for this...



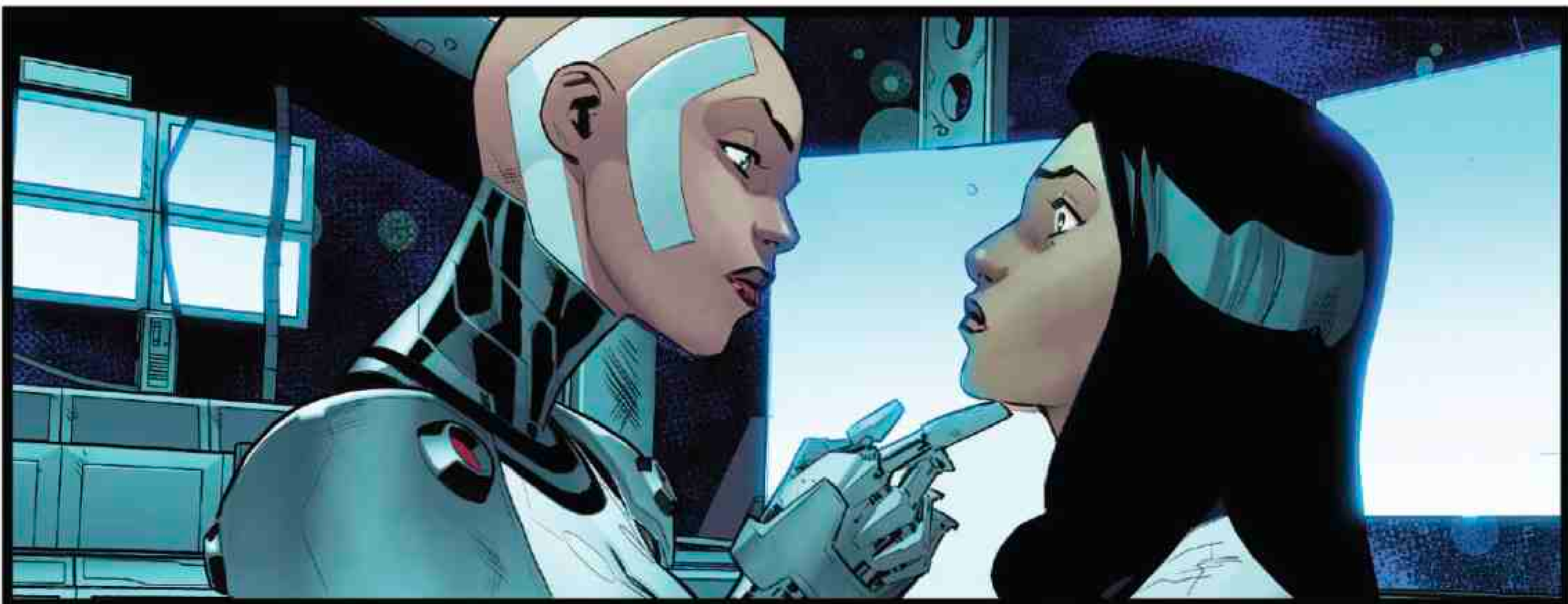
...and you're just *far* more interesting. It's Nitika, right?

Y-yes, Officer Shapandar.



Nitika, you wouldn't be deliberately obfuscating the search for Ms. Marvel in some misplaced sense of sympathy for a fellow South Asian, would you?

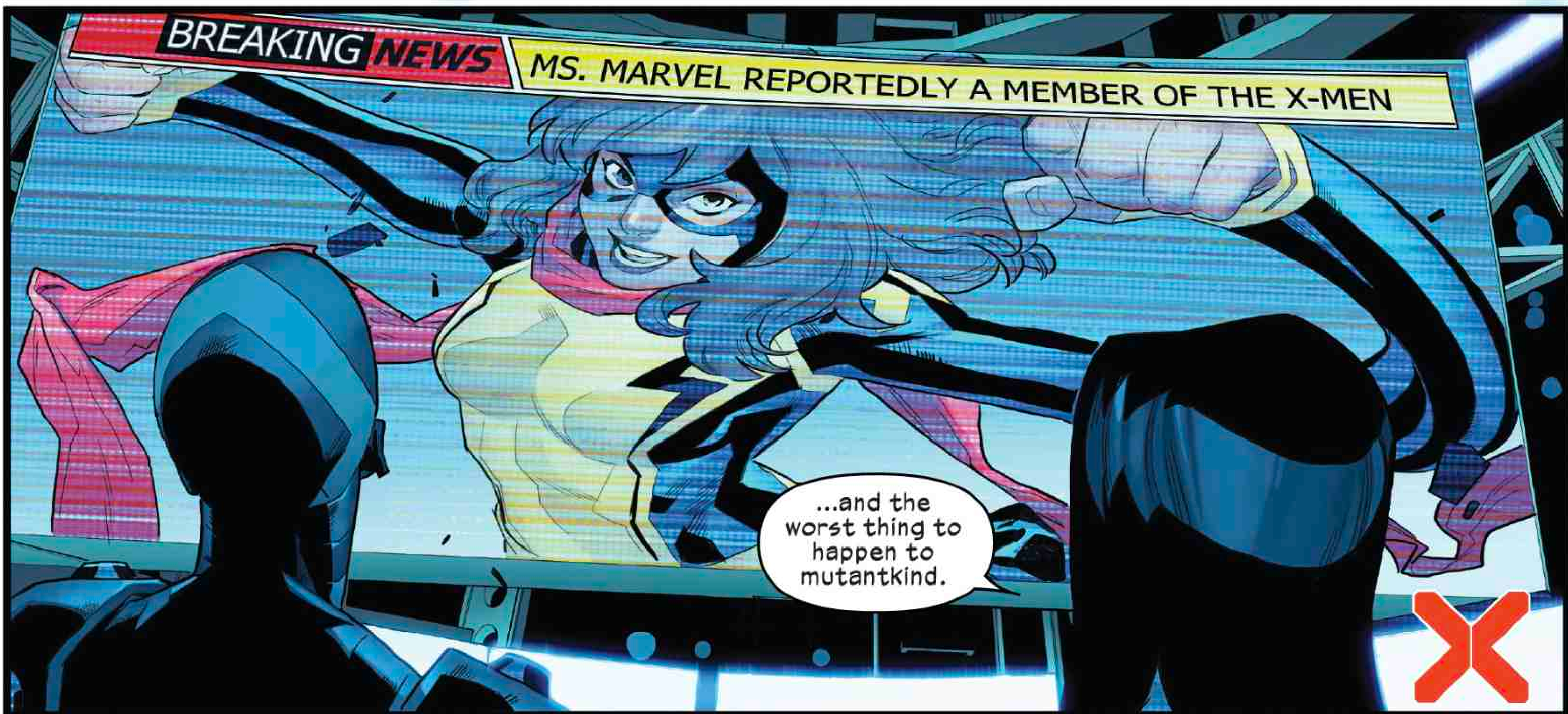
N-no, Officer Shapandar. Of course not.



Good. Because you have nothing in common with this mutant. Now you're going to find her and implement the Trojan Horse program.

But...that hasn't been tested yet.

Consider it a golden opportunity, then. Ms. Marvel is now one of the X-Men. That's the best thing to ever happen for us...



...and the worst thing to happen to mutantkind.



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From Baaldur, with love...



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